

## Chesterfield, NH

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Municipal Office Hours Selectmen, Town Hall, Assessors: Monday through

Thursday, 8 am - 4 pm; Town Clerk: Monday, Thursday, 9 am - 1 pm and 5 pm - 8 pm, Wednesday, 9 am - 1 pm, and

last Saturday, 9 am - 1 pm; Tax Collector: Monday,

Thursday, 4 pm - 7 pm

County Cheshire

Labor Market Area Keene NH Micro-NECTA

Tourism Region Monadnock
Planning Commission Southwest Region

Regional Development Monadnock Economic Development Corp.

**Election Districts** 

US Congress District 2
Executive Council District 2
State Senate District 10

State Representative Cheshire County District 4

Incorporated: 1752

1960

1970

**Origin:** Established in 1735 while New Hampshire was still under governance of Massachusetts, this town was the site of Fort Number 1 in the line of protective trading forts bordering the Connecticut River. After New Hampshire became an independent province under Governor Benning Wentworth, the town was incorporated in 1752 as Chesterfield, after Philip Stanhope, fourth Earl of Chesterfield. The Earl served as Secretary of State and joined William Pitt in opposing what they considered England's unfair treatment of the American Colonies. Chesterfield was the birthplace of Harlan Fiske Stone, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court from 1941 to 1946.

Villages and Place Names: Spofford, West Chesterfield

Population, Year of the First Census Taken: 1,905 residents in 1790

**Population Trends:** Population change for Chesterfield totaled 2,199 over 50 years, from 1,405 in 1960 to 3,604 in 2010. The largest decennial percent change was 41

2000

2010

1,405 1,817 2,561 3,080 3,554 3,604

1990

1980

percent between 1970 and 1980.
The 2010 Census estimate for
Chesterfield was 3,604 residents,
which ranked 101st among New Hampshire's

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Cheshire County

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**Population Density and Land Area, 2010** (US Census Bureau): 79.1 persons per square mile of land area. Chesterfield contains 45.6 square miles of land area and 2.0 square miles of inland water area.

MUNICIPAL SERVICES		DEMOGRAPHICS		Census Bureau)
Type of Government	Selectmen	Total Population	Community	County
Budget: Municipal Appropriations, 2011	\$3,433,446	2010	3,604	77,117
Budget: School Appropriations,	not available	2000	3,554	73,993
Zoning Ordinance	1956/09	1990	3,080	70,223
Master Plan	2008	1980	2,561	62,116
Capital Improvement Plan	Yes	1970	1,817	52,364
Industrial Plans Reviewed By	Planning Board		•	•
•	r idining Dourd	Demographics, American C	ommunity Survey (AC	S) 2006-2010
Boards and Commissions		Population by Gender		
Elected: Selectmen; Budget; School;	Library; Cemetery	Male <b>1,826</b>	Female	1,805
Appointed: Planning; Zoning; Conservat	ion; Parks &	Denviotion by Ass Crave		
Recreation		Population by Age Group		005
D. I. C. I. D. I.		Under age 5		205
Public Library Chesterfield Public		Age 5 to 19		629
F		Age 20 to 34		396
EMERGENCY SERVICES		Age 35 to 54	1	,112
Police Department	Full-time	Age 55 to 64		745
Fire Department	Volunteer	Age 65 and over		544
Emergency Medical Service	Volunteer	Median Age		l4 years
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Nearest Hospital(s)	Distance Staffed Beds	Educational Attainment, popu		
Brattleboro Memorial, Brattleboro VT	9 miles 61	High school graduate or high		93.4%
Cheshire Medical Center, Keene	14 miles 140	Bachelor's degree or highe	r	41.7%
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		INCOME, 2010 INFLATION A	DJUSTED \$ (A	CS 2006-2010)
UTILITIES		Per capita income		\$41,333
Electric Supplier	PSNH	Median 4-person family incon	ne	\$79,613
Natural Gas Supplier	None	Median household income		\$79,152
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Water Supplier	Private wells	Median Earnings, full-time, ye	ai-iouna workers	<b>#40.000</b>
Sanitation	Private septic	Male		\$46,906 \$46,200
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	No	Female		\$46,308
Solid Waste Disposal		Families below the poverty le	vel	1.8%
Curbside Trash Pickup	None	. animos boloti tilo povoity lo	. •.	1.070
Pay-As-You-Throw Program	No	LABOR FORCE		(NHES – ELMI)
Recycling Program	Mandatory	Annual Average	2000	2010
. 130 John g i Togram	mandatory	Civilian labor force	1,977	2,174
Telephone Company	Fairpoint	Employed	1,933	2,174
Cellular Telephone Access	Yes	Unemployed	1,933 44	2,06 <i>7</i> 107
Cable Television Access	Yes	. ,		
Public Access Television Station	No	Unemployment rate	2.2%	4.9%
High Speed Internet Service: Business	Limited	EMDLOVACALL 9 MAGES		NUES FLAN
Residential	Limited	EMPLOYMENT & WAGES		(NHES – ELMI)
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PROPERTY TAXES (NH Dept. of F	Revenue Administration)	Goods Producing Industries		
2010 Total Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value)	\$17.00	Average Employment	99	
2010 Equalization Ratio	100.0	Average Weekly Wage	\$823	\$ \$912
2010 Equalization Ratio 2010 Full Value Tax Rate (per \$1000 of value		Service Providing Industrie	e	
2010 I uli value Tax Male (pei \$1000 oi value	<i>)</i>		624	841
2010 Percent of Local Assessed Valuation by	Property Type	Average Employment		
Residential Land and Buildings	91.2%	Average Weekly Wage	\$636	\$839
Commercial Land and Buildings	7.9%	Total Private Industry		
Public Utilities, Current Use, and Other	0.9%	Average Employment	722	968
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Housing	(ACS 2006-2010)	, ,		. фотд
Total Housing Units	1,806	Government (Federal, State	e, and Local)	
Single-Family Units, Detached or Attached	1,628	Average Employment	143	312
Units in Multiple-Family Structures:	1,020	Average Weekly Wage	\$468	
Two to Four Units in Structures.	407	, ,	•	+ · - •
	127	Total, Private Industry plus		
Five or More Units in Structure	38	Average Employment	866	1,280
Mobile Homes and Other Housing Units	13	Average Weekly Wage	\$630	\$793
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**EDUCATION AND CHILD CARE** (NH Dept. of Education)

Middle/Junior High

District: SAU 29 Schools students attend: Chesterfield operates grades K-8; grades 9-12 are tuitioned to Keene

Career Technology Center(s): Cheshire Center of Applied Science, Keene; Fall Mountain High School, Langdon Region: 13

Number of Schools 1 Grade Levels K 1-8 Total Enrollment 332

**Educational Facilities** 

2011 NH Licensed Child Care Facilities (DHHS – Bureau of Child Care Licensing): Total Facilities: 1 Total Capacity: 20

Nearest Community/Technical College: River Valley

Nearest Colleges or Universities: Keene State; Franklin Pierce University; Antioch New England

Elementary

LARGEST BUSINESSES	PRODUCT/SERVICE	EMPLOYEES	ESTABLISHED
United Natural Foods	Food warehouse	300	1988
Thomas Companies	Construction, drilling, & blasting	65	1971
Perkins Home Center	Home lumber supply	45	1988
Fed Ex Ground	Package delivery service	28	2008
Foard Panel	Wall panel construction	28	1988
Ames Performance	Classic Pontiac Parts Distributor	23	2008
Prospect Park Press, Inc.	Commercial printing	16	1972
Westfield Construction	Construction	15	1996
Chesterfield Tire	Tire sales and service	13	1998
Tire Warehouse	Tire sales & service	5-7	1990

## TRANSPORTATION (distances estimated from city/town hall)

Road Access **US Routes** 

> State Routes 9.9A.63

I-91 (VT), Exit 3 Nearest Interstate, Exit Distance 6 miles

Railroad No **Public Transportation** No

Nearest Public Use Airport, General Aviation

Dillant-Hopkins, Keene Runway 6,201 ft. asphalt Lighted? Yes Navigation Aids? Yes

Nearest Airport with Scheduled Service

Manchester-Boston Regional Distance 67 miles Number of Passenger Airlines Serving Airport 6

Driving distance to select cities:

Manchester, NH 76 miles Portland, Maine 168 miles Boston, Mass. 96 miles New York City, NY 212 miles Montreal, Quebec 249 miles

## **COMMUTING TO WORK** (ACS 2006-2010)

Workers 16 years and over Drove alone, car/truck/van 79.1% Carpooled, car/truck/van 2.9% Public transportation 0.9% Walked 0.0% Other means 1.0% Worked at home 16.2% Mean Travel Time to Work 17.6 minutes

Percent of Working Residents: ACS 2006-2010

Working in community of residence 28.9% Commuting to another NH community 43.6% Commuting out-of-state 27.5%

## RECREATION, ATTRACTIONS, AND EVENTS

High School

Private/Parochial

Municipal Parks YMCA/YWCA

Boys Club/Girls Club

X Golf Courses

> Swimming: Indoor Facility Swimming: Outdoor Facility Tennis Courts: Indoor Facility

Χ Tennis Courts: Outdoor Facility Ice Skating Rink: Indoor Facility

**Bowling Facilities** 

Museums Cinemas

Performing Arts Facilities

**Tourist Attractions** 

Youth Organizations (i.e., Scouts, 4-H) Youth Sports: Baseball Youth Sports: Soccer Youth Sports: Football Youth Sports: Basketball Youth Sports: Hockey

Campgrounds Fishing/Hunting Boating/Marinas Snowmobile Trails Bicycle Trails Cross Country Skiing

Beach or Waterfront Recreation Area X

Overnight or Day Camps

Nearest Ski Area(s): Mount Ascutney (VT)

Other: Chesterfield Gorge; Pisgah State Park